

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPORTATION**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Janna Taylor, on January 15, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 317-B Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Janna Taylor, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Lane L. Larson, Vice Chairman (D)  
Sen. Rick Laible (R)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)  
Rep. John Sinrud (R)  
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)  
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Amy Sassano, OBPP  
Debbie Carlson, Committee Secretary  
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: Department of Administration

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**Discussion:**

00:00:01 Rep. Taylor  
00:00:20 Sen. Williams  
00:00:42 Rep. Taylor  
00:01:00 Greg DeWitt  
00:02:21 Rep. Taylor  
00:02:25 Rep. Sesso

**DP 302 BURIAL BOARD**

**Discussion:**

00:02:44 Sen. Larson  
00:04:18 Sen. Williams

00:04:42 **Motion:** Sen. Larson moved that DP 302 **BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:05:09 Sen. Laible  
00:05:28 Sheryl Olson, Deputy Director, Dept. of Administration  
00:06:56 Rep. Sinrud  
00:07:07 Ms. Olson  
00:08:42 Rep. Taylor  
00:08:50 Ms. Olson  
00:09:46 Mr. DeWitt  
00:10:06 Rep. Taylor  
00:10:11 Ms. Olson  
00:10:32 Rep. Sesso  
00:10:52 Rep. Sinrud  
00:11:30 Ms. Olson  
  
00:11:45 Sen. Larsen withdrew his motion  
  
00:12:03 Sen. Laible  
00:12:32 Mr. DeWitt

**DP 1401 FUND PROFESSIONAL CAREER LADDER PROGRAM**

**Discussion:**

00:13:27 Sen. Larsen  
00:14:52 Rep. Taylor

00:15:25 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Larson moved to reconsider previous action on DP 1401 **BE ADOPTED.** Motion failed 4-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McChesney, Sen. Williams, Sen. Larson and Rep. Sesso voting aye.

**DP 1404 RENT INCREASE FOR BILLINGS OFFICE**

00:16:21 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Larson moved to **RECONSIDER PREVIOUS ACTION ON DP 1404**. Motion failed 4-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McChesney, Sen. Williams, Sen. Larson and Rep. Sesso voting aye.

00:18:13 Rep. Taylor

**DP 2304 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT - E-BENEFITS/POLICY MODULE**

00:18:51 **Motion:** Sen. Larson moved that DP 2304 **BE ADOPTED** as changed by the Governor's December 15 letter to the legislative Fiscal Analyst.

**Discussion:**

00:19:20 Sen. Laible  
00:20:34 Amy Sassano  
00:21:23 Sen. Laible  
00:21:29 Ms. Sassano  
00:21:59 Mr. DeWitt  
00:22:15 Rep. Sinrud  
00:23:18 Sen. Laible  
00:25:00 Randy Morris  
00:27:14 Rep. McChesney  
00:27:42 Rep. Taylor  
00:28:40 Mr. Morris  
00:29:21 Sen. Laible  
00:32:20 Rep. Sinrud  
00:33:08 Mr. Morris  
00:33:39 Rep. Sesso

00:34:18 Sen. Larsen withdrew his motion

00:34:30 Rep. Taylor

**DP 2305 TRANSFER 0.25 FTE ATTORNEY To LABOR RELATIONS**

00:35:20 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Larsen moved that DP 2305 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

00:35:30 Rep. Taylor

**DP 2314 HRSS REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL 1.00 FTE**

00:35:34 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Larsen moved that DP 2314 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion failed 4-4 by roll call vote. Rep.

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McChesney, Sen. Williams, Rep. Sesso and Sen. Larson  
voted aye.

**Discussion:**

00:35:46 Rep. Taylor

00:36:06 Mr. DeWitt

00:37:30 Rep. Taylor

**INTERGOVERNMENT TRAINING RATES**

00:38:31 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sesso moved **TO ADOPT**  
Intergovernmental Training rates for fund 06525 as  
revised by the Department of Administration during the  
hearing and based on costs for training courses of  
different durations. Motion carried 7-1 by roll call  
vote with Sen. Stapleton voting no.

**Discussion:**

00:39:50 Mr. DeWitt

00:40:11 Sen. Laible

00:40:43 Mr. DeWitt

**PAYROLL FUND RATES**

**Discussion:**

00:42:05 Rep. Taylor

00:42:13 Mr. DeWitt

00:42:51 Rep. Sinrud

00:44:16 Ms. Olson

00:44:29 Mr. Morris

00:46:08 Rep. Sinrud

00:47:27 Rep. Taylor

00:48:18 Mr. Morris

00:49:38 Sen. Laible

00:49:48 Mr. Morris

00:51:15 Rep. Sesso

00:52:31 Rep. Taylor

00:52:57 Mr. Morris

00:53:19 Rep. Sinrud

00:57:21 Mr. Morris

01:01:15 Rep. Taylor

01:01:28 Rep. Sinrud

01:03:45 Mr. Morris

01:04:13 Break

**Discussion:**

01:17:50 Dal Smilie, Department Of Administration Legal Counsel

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01:19:13 Rep. Taylor  
01:19:17 Mr. Smilie  
01:22:15 Rep. Sinrud  
01:22:22 Mr. Smilie

01:24:54 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sesso moved payroll fund rates (fund 06563) **BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried 6-2 by roll call vote. Sen. Larson and Sen. Stapleton voted no by proxy.

01:25:22 Sen. Williams

**DP 302 BURIAL BOARD**

01:26:55 **Motion:** Rep. Sesso moved DP 302 **BE ADOPTED.**

01:27:27 Sen. Williams

01:27:45 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sinrud made a substitute motion to fund DP 302 at \$18,000 instead of \$24,000. Motion to amend carried unanimously by voice vote.

1:28:00 **Vote:** Rep. Sinrud moved that DP 302 **BE ADOPTED as amended.** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Discussion:**

01:28:06 Rep. Taylor  
01:29:31 Sen. Laible  
01:29:44 Amy Sassano  
01:30:02 Rep. Sinrud  
01:30:17 Mr. DeWitt  
01:30:54 Rep. Taylor

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:46 A.M.

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REP. JANNA TAYLOR, Chairman

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DEBBIE CARLSON, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([jgh09aad.pdf](#))**